

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

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The Honorable Carl Levin United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Levin:

I am writing to provide you with an update on the proposed Kennecott Eagle Minerals Company project in Marquette County. We have been advised that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency will decide by the end of the month whether a federal underground injection control permit will be required for the proposed facility. EPA will inform you of the decision at that time.

In addition, EPA has invited Kennecott and the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community to the Region 5 office in Chicago to discuss the project.

If you have any questions, please contact me or your staff may contact Ronna Beckmann, the Region 5 Congressional Liaison, at (312) 886-3000.

Sincerely,

Susan Hedman

Regional Administrator